CONCERTS OF MERIT

A Series of Them Soon to Be Given Here,

Eminent Artists Who Will Contribute to the Program-West Michigan Conservatory.

The first of a grand series of ten ar tist concerts will be given at Hartman's hall September 29. Announcements of the succeeding entertainments will be given shortly afterwards in all the daily papers. A few words concerning these concerts to show their advantages will be of interest. These concerts cannot be excelled by those given in any other city in America.

Some of the artists thus far engaged are. Edward Baxter Perry, for a lecture reddal. Emil Liebling, Miss Neally Ste-vens. William H. Sherwood, A. K. Virgil with Miss Julie Geyer, lecture re-cital; Clarence Eddy, organ recital; Chevaller DeKontski, James Paddon, wildinist, Frances Cowles, pianist, Chas. W. Landon, Mrs. Willis Merton Bryant, contralio; Stanton Becker Grabil, pianist, Kebecca Frants, pianist; Mrs. Belie McLeod-Lewis, reader. Negotiations are pending for the engagement of several other celebrated artists.

Grand Rapids now has one of the

most noted managers of musical affairs and numerical educators in the United States, and he has established a conservatory of music here, which will become known to every part of the country. Charles W. Landon, the gentleman to wnom reference is made, has consented to take the responsibility of making a grand conservatory of music, art and oratory. He is known to every prominent musician and music teacher as a gentleman who has built up and made exceedingly successful some of the best educational and musical institutions in our country. At the New York State Teachers' association, which he organized and was president of for two years, in its meeting held at Syracuse, N. Y., this year, honors were given him by the speakers of the association which might be coveted by the greatest. This is because of the grand work done by him for the benefit of the musical education of the people. With the greatest care and discretion he has established a conservatory in Grand Rapids, thoroughly appreciating the fact that a conservatory to live must have something of which it can boast, and knowing that those who compose its faculty must be eminent as artists and of pronounced efficiency as teachers. From his favworld and his wide personal acquaintmoe with its leading musicians, this was made possible.

The Chevalier De Kontski is known to all musicians as a distinguished ar-tist and composer. He has played be-fore the greatest personages and most critical audiences of Europe and Amertoa with enviable success. His piano forte method is used in the leading conservatories of Europe, including that of the Paris conservatory, and it will be used as a standard by the piano teachers of this conservatory. It is noted for its thoroughness and for its superior musical effectiveness. Mrs. Willis Merton Bryant possesses

a fine contralto voice of great culture, compass and power. She is a pupil of Mrs. Hershey Eddy and of the celebrated Mme. Cappalani, Her ability as a teacher has been thoroughly proven by the success of her pupils. Her method is based upon the principles of education and the natural capa-

James Paddon is a graduate of the Paris conservatory, where he studied under the greatest violin teacher of the world. He has the coveted natural musical gifts in the greatest degree. At 12 years of age he was one of the tortunate six, out of 115 candidates, was succeeded in getting into the vio-The reason that one so young should save succeeded in passing the rigid exam mations of this meditation could be explained only in one way, that he was pursessed of that innate talent and genius found only in great musicians. This will be recognized upon hearing Mr. Paidon. His pupils who have followed him from Utica, N. Y., show by their work the excellency of his teach-

Mrs. Bells McLoed-Lewis is well known from articles which she has written upon elecutionary subjects, and from her appearances before cultured audiences where she has always been received with marked approval. She was selected to appear in three recitations upon the leading program as the recent meeting of the National Association of Elecutionists held in New York city, where her success was brilliant. Realizing the necessity of the correct use of the voice and of right breathing, Mrs. McLend-Lewis took a special course on these subjects the celebrated teacher, Edmund Meyer. Among her teachers in dratory and deleaste may be mentioned the days and Saturdays. following: Minnie Swayze, Orriette Engsbury. Clara Power Edgerly, double its route so as to run excur-Charles Leonard Fisteher, John Land-Charles Leonard Flatcher, John Lind-ley and Moses True Brown. Mrs. Mc-be delivered at either of the docks

a specialty of teaching how to teach C munc, and of teaching composition, and no has many pupils in the art who are doing credit to his instruction by computing graceful and popular songs and plane pieces. Mr. Landon is one of those teachers who has the rare gift clearly imparting instruction and naking of his punits enthusiastic atudents of the divine art. The other teachers of the conservatory will also ha heard, hus mention here: is only made of those placed at the head of sach department

meetion with the conservatory is an art department, which will be under the management and auti-ject to the good judgment of Mr. Standbury Norse, He also was occurred by Mr. Landon and bas organized a school of art, which will be as thorough as any school in the coun In this school of design will be forms an opportunity for an artisan to myster natural ability in art and to fit himself for the incrairse occupation | sty of fine French and domestic million of designer of farniture, wall paper, or ery noveities.

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There has been a tendency of late, not so much in Grand Rapids as in many other places to give everybody with commercial training a liberal training in the English branches. In the advanced institutions all over the land, where young men are being educated for commercial careers, more attention is being paid year by year to a careful preparation in a liberal English train-

The value of this new departure and the importance of it to a business career is too obvious to need demonstration. The only wonder is that the plan was not more thoroughly adopted long ago.
In view of these facts it is gratifying to observe that a distinctly new departure in this field of culture is about to be inaugurated in this city. It is to meet this want that the new and wisely designed institution, the Columbia College of Commerce, has been placed on foot. The founders of the col-lege, Professors Head and Dillingham, are men of pronouncedly progressive ideas and educators who have heard and heeded the demand of the times. These gentlemen have planted an institution in this city upon the broad foundation of liberal education and advanced commercial training. They propose to so cultivate the students who may come under their charge that when they shall have received their certificates of graduation they shall be able to not only transact business in a business-like way but that they shall be able to fill satisfactorily and gracefully the innumerable public and private offices of citizenship. All students should start upon their commercial courses with a view of rising to the most lucrative and responsible positions and they should see to it that they are first equipped with the necessary train-ing to be able to fill such places. To accomplish this result it will no longer be necessary to take an English course in an institution especially founded for that purpose. This course may now be followed in conjunction with commercial training at the Columbia college. The scope of the new institution will be such as to comprise careful English preparation, thorough knowledge of stenography and thorough training in all commercial transactions. Commercial, law, banking and brokerage. In carrying on the work which the institution undertakes, Proffessor Head will have charge of instruction in commercial, law and mathema-tics, and Proffessor Dillingham will devote himself to training in stenographic work in all of its branches. These gentlemen are men of wide experience in their different lines, having been connected in the past with the best institutions of the kind in America. The Columbia College of Commerce will occupy the fourth floor of the McMullen block. Spacious offices, recitation rooms and other apartments have been secured. The location could not be improved upon, nor could the apartments be

have been secured. They are perfect from a sanitary standpoint, beautifully furnished and finished, and are reached from the ground floor by an elevator. The Columbia College of Commerce enters the field of educational work under flattering conditions. It has undertaken to satisfy a long needed want in the community and it will not fail to meet the liberal patronage at the hands of the public, which it so

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